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## BACK TO SCHOOL



*Rebecca Frith, 6, shows her Mom Misty, what she wants for back-to-school supplies in the base exchange, Wednesday. School begins Monday. See Pages 6 and 12. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud)*

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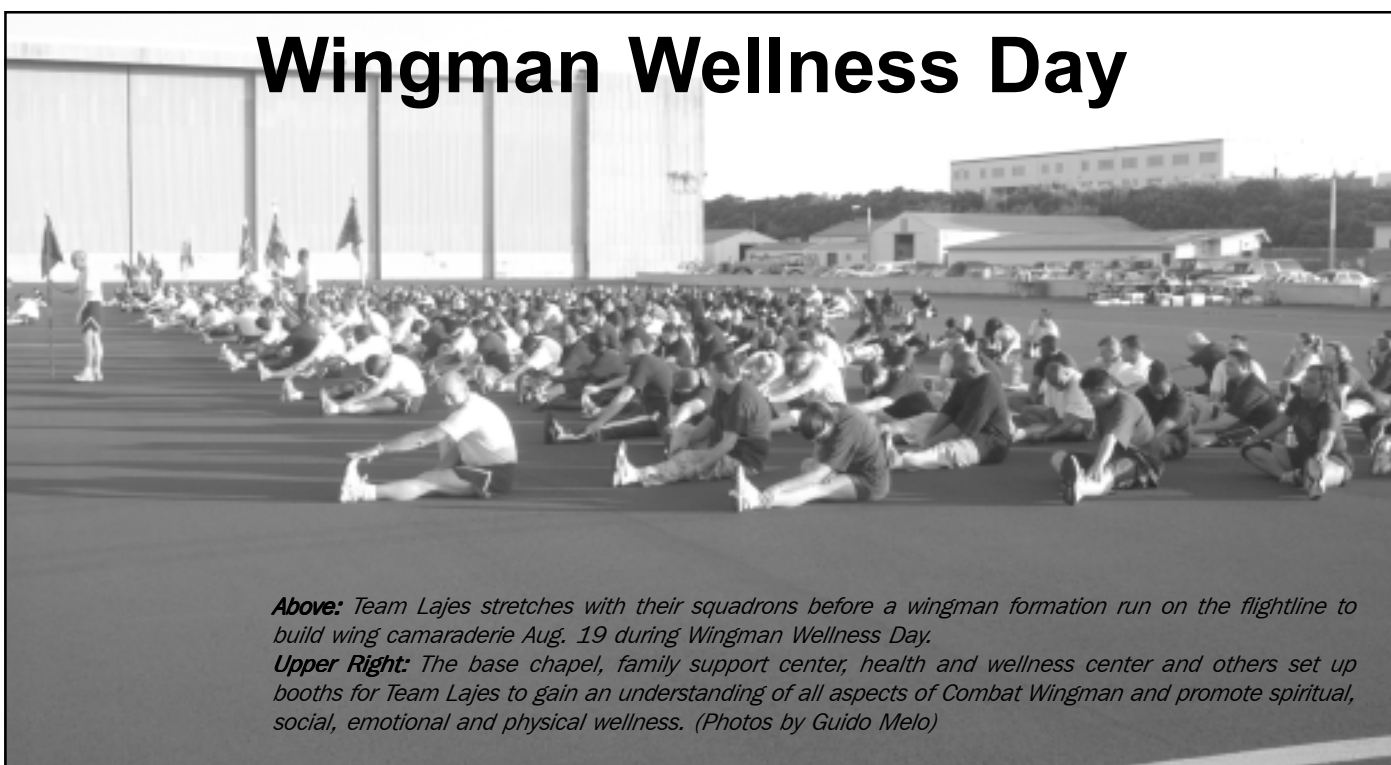


**Far Left:** Each squadron from Team Lajes participated in a formation run Aug. 19 on the flightline for Wingman Wellness Day. (Photo Master Sgt. Featherston)

**Left:** Col. Danny Leonard and Col. Robert Winston use each other for support, in line with the Wingman concept, while doing a calf stretch. (Photo by Guido Melo)



## Wingman Wellness Day



**Above:** Team Lajes stretches with their squadrons before a wingman formation run on the flightline to build wing camaraderie Aug. 19 during Wingman Wellness Day.

**Upper Right:** The base chapel, family support center, health and wellness center and others set up booths for Team Lajes to gain an understanding of all aspects of Combat Wingman and promote spiritual, social, emotional and physical wellness. (Photos by Guido Melo)



## PCS season in full swing vOP makes process easier

**By Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud  
65<sup>th</sup> ABW Public Affairs**

New faces are arriving to Lajes Field as seasoned Lajes veterans depart during the peak PCS season.

"On average, about 60 personnel leave per month between May and September," explained Tech. Sgt. Jason Bairos, Military Personnel Flight Relocations NCOIC.

Personnel try to work their departures so they leave after the school year ends in June and before the school year starts in August, he explained.

To help streamline the PCS process, Virtual Outprocessing was created in February 2003.

"vOP is the web-based outprocessing database that is maintained in vMPF," Sergeant Bairos said.

If it is utilized properly in the units, vOP means personnel out-processing get less face time with vOP task managers, according to the relocations sergeant. "That, in turn, gives personnel

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**--Sergeant Bairos**

out-processing more time in their workcenters and less time going from place to place to get checklists signed off."

Using vOP is a requirement now for anyone who is about to PCS. It is closely monitored by USAFE in the Combat Intro/Exit program.

The first step after getting notification of an assignment is for the member to review the assignment data on the RIP (Report for Individual Person) for accuracy.

"By reviewing the RIP's integrity, the member ensures the criteria used by AFPC to select the assignment is accurate," he said. The member then can clearly state that they agree with the data used for selection of assignment.

"The best tip that I can give anybody out-processing is for the member to carefully review the electronic briefing that we, in Out-bound Assignments, send them through e-mail," explained Sergeant Bairos. "The electronic briefing is there to help personnel get all required items quickly, so they are able to

complete the items at their desk. Once the items are completed and forwarded to Out-bound Assignments, PCS orders can be processed. It is very important to have the items completed because household goods pick-up, housing clearance appointments, etc. can't be accomplished without PCS orders."

It is best to begin outprocessing approximately 90 days in advance in order to prevent running around the last month before a PCS.

While vOP can simplify and streamline the process, there are still some places personnel are required to physically go. Some of them include the housing office, pass and ID, the travel management office, finance and finally, their units.

vOP allows personnel to see everything they need to do at one source without hav-

ing to refer to multiple checklists.

"The vOP out-processing checklist tells you what needs to be done and when to do it by," said Staff Sgt. Tabitha Bennett, 65th Communications Squadron.

"It made it much easier on me," she said of using vOP to outprocess for the first time.

One of the challenges in the process is that some Commander's Support Staffs are still utilizing checklists and members have to do too much footwork to get items cleared, according to feedback surveys.

"After all," said Sergeant Bairos, "vOP can't be utilized properly if all tasks are not in it and personnel are required to get signatures.

The purpose of vOP is to limit the running around people have to do to a minimum."

The military personnel flight uses feedback to help improve the process for personnel using vOP.

"I'd like to ask all personnel to document all the places they have to visit face-to-face so we can contact those POCs and see what can be done to do away with member's having to pay a visit personally to that office," said Sergeant Bairos.

For more information about vOP, call the MPF at 2-1141.

## News Briefs

### Theater parking

There is a new red line and "no parking" sign along the street in front of the base theater. This change was made for safety as well as access to prevent vehicles from parking in this emergency response/fire lane. The only vehicles authorized to park there are emergency response vehicles.

### Customer College graduates

The following individuals graduated from the most recent Customer College Class held Aug. 16-19.

Distinguished graduate was Tech. Sgt. Lisa Nelson, 65th Air Base Wing. Other graduates were Staff Sgt. William Schafer, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Staff Sgt. Alan Sawyer, 65th Communications Squadron; Staff Sgt. Alan Goodspeed, 65th Operations Support Squadron; Nichole Cowell, 65th Medical Support Squadron; Senior Airman Jason Larsen, 65th OSS; Staff Sgt. Shawna Barrett, 65th Medical Support Squadron; Manuel Lourenco, Defense Commissary Agency; and Senior Airman Jeremy Harris, 65th MDOS.

Customer College is a Combat Special Interest Program training course to provide comprehensive care that exceeds customer expectations. The course focus is on customer service for internal and external customers. The class covers customers perceptions and expectations, having a positive attitude, communications skills and team work.

### Force Protection Condition Alpha

As a reminder, Lajes Field is in Force Protection Condition Alpha. FPCON Alpha means a general threat of possible terrorist activity exists. The nature and extent of the threat are unpredictable. Team Lajes can do its part by remaining vigilant at all times.

To report suspicious activity, call the law enforcement desk at 2-3222 or 295-573-222. For more details on FPCONs, call the wing antiterrorism office at 2-3015 or 295-573-015.





## Lajes deployers learn expeditionary combat skills

By Staff Sgt.  
Christin Michaud  
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27 Team Lajes members participated in predeployment training here Aug. 17-19.

The course, an Expeditionary Combat Skills training class, was the first to be offered by the 65<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron, said Senior Master Sgt. David Cornillie, Standardization and Evaluation superintendent.

In May, the wing received a requirement from U.S. Forces in Europe to fulfill 19 hours of Expeditionary Combat Skills training in support of each AEF tasking, explained Master Sgt. Eddie Gilliam, 65<sup>th</sup> SFS training superintendent.

ECS training consisted of skill training designed to make all Airmen proficient and comfortable with handling a weapon and working within a team to defend themselves, their team and their mission," Sergeant Cornillie said.

The focus, according to Sergeant Gilliam, is to take a non cop who has little or no working knowledge of integrated base defense and teaching them the tools they need to effectively deploy.

"Predeployment training is vital to ensure all 65<sup>th</sup> Air Base Wing Airmen are proficient and comfortable with handling a weapon," he said.

"The class was great," said Capt. Jerry Ottinger, 65<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron and installation deployment officer. "Security Forces did an excellent job. The instructors were knowledgeable about what they were teaching and made it easy for everyone in the class to understand which is important because it was potentially life saving training."

"The purpose of this training is to ensure deploying Airmen arrive to their field commanders with a baseline set of skills," explained Sergeant Cornillie.

"Overall, we believe the course was a success by the training feedback comments from the students," Sergeant Gilliam said.

The Air Force directed lessons included the following topics:

- Weapons Issue
- Load Bearing  
Equipment/Body Armor
- Use of Force
- Combat Skills
- Rifle Fighting Techniques
- Fighting Position

- Air Base Defense
- Maintaining the M-16

For more information on predeployment training, visit the AEF Center website at: <https://aefcenter.acc.af.mil>.



Master Sgt. James Bowman, Det. 6, AF News, demonstrates procedures for responding to weapons fire, under the direction of Staff Sgt. Chad Guieb, 65<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron training NCOIC. This was one aspect of the Expeditionary Combat Skills training here Aug. 17-19. (Photo by Master Sgt. Eddie Gilliam)



### Portuguese Helicopter

The EH-101 Merlin, a new addition to the Portuguese Air Force fleet, flew over Lajes Field Aug. 17.

The EH-101 Merlin is a three-engine helicopter for medium transport. The FAP bought 12 EH-101 in three different versions for three different types of missions. The fleet is composed by six Search and Rescue, two Fishing Surveillance System and four Combat Search and Rescue helicopters. (Photo by Guido Melo)



## New test to better assess language proficiency within DOD

**By Donna Miles  
American Forces  
Press Service**

**WASHINGTON** — A new language test scheduled to roll out in October will better measure language fluency in real-world situations, the Defense Department's senior language official said July 13.

The new test is the fifth generation of the Defense Language Proficiency Test, a battery of tests used to assess native English speakers' reading and listening skills in a wide range of foreign languages, said Gail McGinn, deputy undersecretary of defense for plans.

The so-called "DLPT 5" test will be more challenging than previous language tests, Ms. McGinn said, with longer passages and, in some cases, more than one question for each passage.

The test will be computer-based, making it more secure and efficient to administer.

And unlike past tests that Ms. McGinn described as "scripted," the new test will rely more on actual newspa-

pers, magazine articles and radio broadcasts.

"We want a test that measures as accurately as possible one's ability to operate in the real world," Ms. McGinn said.

Toward that end, the new language proficiency test will better measure each tester's skills in selected languages, at levels ranging from a low of zero-plus to a high of four on the Interagency Language Roundtable scale. Five is the highest level on the scale.

The new test will become "the benchmark" for DOD to assess who in the force has language skills and how proficient they are.

By better measuring language skills, the new test will allow DOD officials to identify and reward those with the highest proficiency levels, Ms. McGinn said.

Test scores are part of the formula for determining language proficiency pay for language professionals and servicemembers with specific language skills. Congress recently authorized increasing the cap on language profi-

ciency pay from \$300 to \$1,000, but Ms. McGinn said that not all language professionals will receive the full amount.

The new test and higher language proficiency pay are keys to the Defense Language Transformation Roadmap, a major initiative to develop foreign language and cultural expertise among its military and civilian members.

The initiative aims to increase language and cultural expertise within the ranks and to establish a cadre of language specialists with advanced proficiency levels.

The world situation demands that the Defense Department maintains solid language and cultural capabilities so it is prepared to carry out its missions worldwide — from humanitarian and reconstruction efforts to combat operations, Ms. McGinn said.

"We are building alliances, we are engaged in operations in the Middle East, we are engaged in the war on terror, (and) we need to understand and interact with the people around us," she said.

The rollout schedule for the

new test begins in October for Albanian, Persian-Dari, Hindi, Pashto, Norwegian and Urdu.

DLPT-5 tests for Russian and Iraqi are scheduled to debut in December, and early 2006 rollouts are planned for Chinese Mandarin, Spanish and Korean.

New tests are also under development for a variety of other languages, including Egyptian, Levantine, Modern Standard Arabic, Persian-Farsi, Greek, Kurdish-Sorani, Turkish, Serbian-Croatian and Japanese.

Ultimately, the DLPT-5 could cover as many as 31 languages.

Ms. McGinn urged test takers to begin their homework now using authentic materials available on the Internet and in other sources, and encouraged supervisors to re-enforce the need to prepare.

The Defense Language Institute has developed an Internet site and Global Language Support System with materials and exercises to help test takers prepare.

## Meet The New Commander

**Maj. Michael Gallant  
65th Comptroller Squadron**

**Hometown:** Old Town, Maine

**Time in service:** 20 years

**Previous assignment and job:** Ramstein Air Base, Germany -- Chief, Accounting and Finance Branch, Financial Management & Comptroller USAF headquarters.

**What do you look forward to the most during your time here?** Learning, enjoying, and enhancing our children's lives, personalities, and characteristics.

**What's the most rewarding part of being a commander?** 1) Fostering and seeing very talented, selfless, and dedicated people giving their best to the Lajes Field mission, 2) Placing limited resources where needed to enhance the squadron's environment and performance.

**Who's your role model? Why?**

There are many! I met a retired (first shirt) Master Sgt. at the SNCO Induction Ceremony the other night. His energy, enthusiasm and pride were uplifting and contagious. I would almost swear his heart was pumping AF-blue blood!

**Hobbies:** Golf, U.S. History

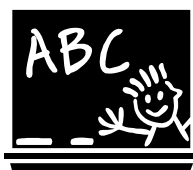
**Goal(s) for the unit:**

1) Posture for short-notice comptroller deployments, 2) Set Air Force benchmark for wing customer service and decision-making support, 3) Increase education and training opportunities and participation, both on and off duty; 4) Build on unit cohesiveness

**What else do you want our readers to know about you?** I enjoy music, good company, and good food.



Photo by Guido Melo



## Back to School

### Tips help parents, students prepare

By Lt. Col. Mike Deibert  
305th Services Squadron

One can hear school bells ringing, becoming louder and louder as that magic day approaches — the first day of the new school year.

Soon, children will be headed back to the classroom — some for the first time, all with the chance to start the year out fresh. Below are some tips that will help students and parents have a great year in school.

- Get involved in students' education — Make time to attend parent-teacher conferences, take interest in your child's school activities and provide a quiet place for them to study.

Many school districts have computer grading systems that allow parents to access, via personal computer, their children's password-protected grades or progress reports.

By using such systems, parents can track homework assignments, grades, and class absences, in addition to heading off problems before they become serious.

- Discuss concerns with school officials — By addressing academic or discipline problems early in the school year, parents increase the odds such problems can quickly be resolved and won't interfere with future learning. Be sure to "use the chain of command" when looking for

solutions.

- Make sure students get enough sleep — More and more students are coming to school lacking proper rest, while school days are starting earlier and earlier. Research shows that the teenage brain, for example, needs 8-10 hours of sleep each night to process information learned and to recover for a new day.

Therefore, it's imperative that you make sure your students get enough rest—no Internet, no television, no text-messaging after a certain hour—just 8-10 hours of sleep every evening.

- Serve your children a healthy breakfast — Many students come to school without having eaten any breakfast at all.

These students have trouble concentrating in class, and their focus shifts to their lunch period, which may begin after noon.

Beware, however — in addition to serving balanced meals, most for-profit school food service operations offer their young customers a wide variety of junk food filled with unnecessary fats and sugars.

You, as a parent, have an obligation to control what your students eat for lunch, because what they eat for lunch will impact greatly upon how they learn and perform in the classroom.

- Stay positive about school and life-

long learning — Serve as a role model for your students—show them that formal education doesn't stop once school ends. Enrich their learning through interesting family trips to museums, historical sites, and national treasures.

Stress that learning for learning's sake is more important than answering the question: "When will I ever need to use this stupid subject again?"

- Make sure your students have free time — Give them time to play, to enjoy life without a set schedule chock-full of activities.

Too many students attempt to do too much. As a parent, you call the shots; you must prevent activity overload. Let your kids be kids.

Hopefully, these tips will act as a springboard for parents and students to enjoy a terrific school year.

Remember — the future of our great nation depends upon an educated citizenry. As parents, you have great power — the power to determine both your children's future

and the future of our nation.

Please use this power wisely, and have a great school year.



## Back to School Carnival

Food

Fun

The Lajes Enlisted Spouses' Club is sponsoring a Back to School carnival 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Lajes Youth Program gymnasium.

bouncy castle

dunk tank

When: Saturday 1 to 5 p.m.

Cost: Ages 4-18 - \$5

\$1 discount for 4-6 year olds with donation of baked good for the cake walk

Adults are free

Exhibits: Security forces, fire department, Girl and Boy Scouts, dental clinic

For details, call 295-549-683.





## Set the tone for success

By Chief Master Sgt. Trevor Henry  
65<sup>th</sup> ABW Command Chief

As leaders we have an inherent responsibility for meeting the mission requirements of our duty sections. And, as military members we are conditioned to eagerly spring into action to tackle the challenges of meeting these obligations.

So what does it take to successfully take advantage of these opportunities?

First, we should take time to reflect on our personal beliefs to gain a better understanding of who we are.

This process can be enhanced by asking a few fundamental questions such as the following: What leadership style or approach will be most effective for me to get the job done? How will I incorporate the Air Force core values in the leadership style I choose? How will my people respond to my leadership style? What does it take to motivate my people and maintain a high morale? What are my defining principles? Do I fully understand and embrace our core values? What does it really mean by integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do? What are my thoughts on how people should be treated?

Hopefully the above thought-provoking questions will help to clarify your frame of mind as you move forward. Although your desire might be to have this article answer the above questions for you, the fact is that the answers must come from you — they must come from within.

And, with the clarity of frame of mind, you can now move on to the next step which is to develop a vision.

You must develop a vision as to which operational climate you would like your section to operate under. This is necessary because with a clear operational climate in mind, you will be able to set the tone for your unit.

Wouldn't you rather have a work section that works harmoniously to accomplish mission objectives? Wouldn't you rather an environment built on trust and integrity?

The bottom line is the environment in which you desire to operate in will not materialize by chance. You must take proactive steps to create it.

Also, be mindful that even with no action we are creating an environment whether we realize it or not. No action says that we concur with the existing environment regardless of what it is.

This is why it's so important for us to correct any behavior that runs contrary to Air Force standards, otherwise our inactions communicate that we condone these inappropriate behaviors.

My hope is that you are grounded enough with our core values and the Air Force philosophies to have correctly answered all the self-reflecting and thought-provoking questions I presented.

However, if you still have doubts as to whether or not you got them right, please check your answers against the following answer key.

Your work section should be working harmoniously towards mission objectives. There should be mutual trust and

teamwork in your duty section. There should be respect up and down the chain of command and amongst peers as Colonel Winston so often points out.

There should be equal access to mentorship and training opportunities for all your people. You should be responsive to the needs and concerns of all your folks to enhance their morale.

So, how many answers did you get right so far? Well, if you didn't get all the answers correct, don't dismay. At least now you know which direction you should be heading in — now you know what tone you should be setting for success.

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come from you — they must come  
from within.

--Chief Henry



### Commander's Line

Call 2-4240 or  
e-mail

[actionline@lajes.af.mil](mailto:actionline@lajes.af.mil)

The Commander's Line is your direct link to me for suggestions, kudos and as a way to work problems or issues within the 65th Air Base Wing for which you can't find another solution.

Your chain of command should always be your first option for praise or problems -- but when that's not the answer, call or e-mail the CC Line.

Items of interest to the base population may be published in a future issue of the *Crossroads*. To ensure you get a response, please leave your contact information.

Thank you!

**Col. Robert Winston**  
65th Air Base Wing  
commander



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## Sports Timeout

### Intramural flag football

Units planning to participate in the 2006 flag football season must turn in their entry letter to the 65th Services Squadron's athletic department by Wednesday. No entries will be accepted after this date. Leagues begin Sept. 7. A team meeting of all coaches and team captains takes place at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the community center. For more information, call 2-1290/295-549-1290.

### Intramural bowling

Units planning to participate in the 2006 bowling season must turn in their entry letter to the 65th Services Squadron's athletic department by Tuesday. No entries will be accepted after this date. Leagues begin Sept. 6. A team meeting of all coaches and team captains takes place at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the community center. For details, call 2-1290/295-549-1290.

### Game coverage

The Crossroads staff is continuously looking for sports coverage. Unit sports representatives interested in coverage of games for future issues of the *Crossroads* can e-mail [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil) to receive a Sports Form. Photos of games may also be submitted. For more information, call 2-3347.

### Aerobic classes move

The Chace Fitness Center will be moving all of its aerobics, cardio kickboxing & circuit training classes to the Fitness Annex T-629. The first day will be Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> of August 2005. If you have any questions please contact Tech. Sgt. Mary Davis at 2-5151

### Rumble on the rock

On Mar. 4, Lajes Field will host its own Rumble on the rock. It is one night of boxing comprised of as many fights as can be matched up. The event is open to all to come and watch or participate. Competition participation and training will be restricted to active-duty military (male and female) but all other participation roles are open to all (more to come on other opportunities). Training will tentatively begin Jan. 2 for four to five days each week. It will commence until the fight night Mar. 4, at the Top of the Rock Club.

Training is open to all military and will cater to the novice who has no prior boxing experience. Training will begin with basic instructional lessons and progress to advanced boxing techniques. Training is open to all regardless of a desire to compete but will focus on competition preparedness.

If you've ever had a desire to learn to box this is for you. Whether you want to compete or just learn to box, come out and be a part of Lajes' newest sports opportunity.

If you would like to sign up or have any questions please contact Capt. Chris Lance by e-mail at [robert.lance@lajes.af.mil](mailto:robert.lance@lajes.af.mil) by phone at 2-1151.

## OSS wins softball championship

The 65th Operations Support Squadron captured the base championship intramural softball title Wednesday.

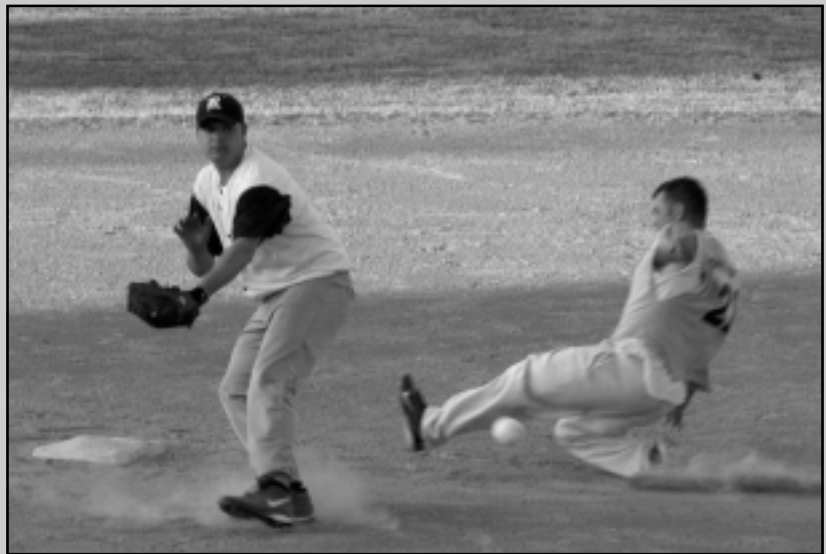
They were the last team to make the playoffs and went from "worst to first," said David Sever. With a season record of 11 wins and 12 losses, they went up against the 65th Civil Engineer Squadron for the title. CE won as season champs with a 21-3 record.

"It was entire team effort," said OSS coach Richard Bennett.

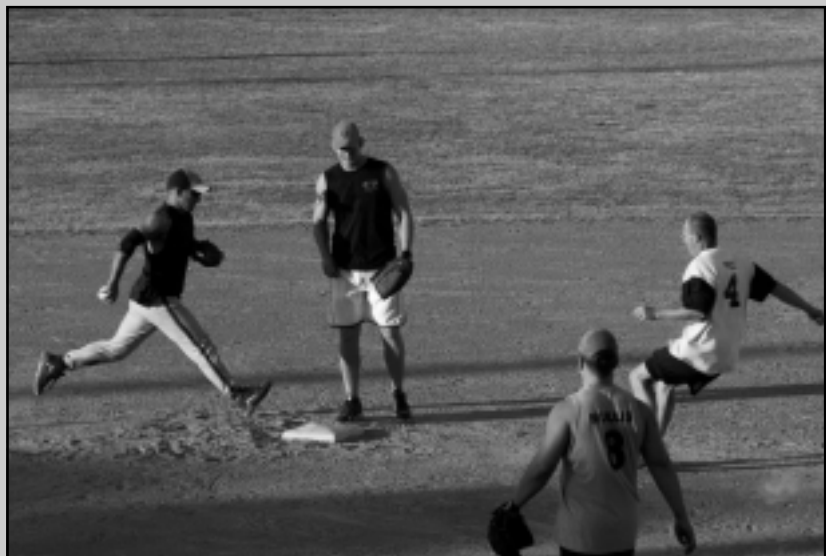
"We didn't expect to be there this year," said Sever. "The whole team came alive." Five players hit home runs consistently for the OSS team. "We averaged 22 points a game in the playoffs," said Bennett.

In order to win the base championship, CE had to beat OSS in two games. CE won the first game, 16-15, but lost to OSS in the final game. OSS was on top 21-12.

"It's a bit of revenge for two years ago," said Sever. The two teams battled for the championship in 2003 when CE won it with a walk-off home run.



*Glen Hauptmann gets ready for the ball as Willis Shivers slides into base during the CE vs. COMM intramural softball game playoffs Monday.*



*L to R: CE Coach Clinton Jordan runs with the ball to second baseman Phillip Rycraft as he and JR Mullis watch Thomas Price from the opposing team attempt to make it to second. (Photos by Master Sgt. Featherston)*





*Kentrelle Evans glides toward the basket for a layup. The opposing team defeated Evans team in the championship game.*



*Top: Larenza Smart posts up on Kentrelle Evans during the 3-on-3 Tournament championship game. Above: Jeremy Gingrich reaches in an attempt to steal the ball from Jovan Thomas during Saturday's game. (Photos by Master Sgt. Michael Featherston)*

## Teams face off in 3-on-3 basketball tourney

**By 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Michael Hyland  
65<sup>th</sup> ABW Public Affairs**

Some Lajes Field members put away the beach towels and laced up their sneakers for a three-on-three basketball tournament at the Portuguese gym Saturday.

Services sponsored the two-game elimination tournament where eight teams battled for the title of top basketball trio on Terceira.

Chris Dooley of the fire department, Jovan Thomas from the medical squadron and Larenza Smart of the logistics

readiness squadron made up the tournament's victorious squad.

Dooley credited his team's victory to chemistry and familiarity.

"We all play with each other a lot, so we have great teamwork," he said. "It was just a matter of coming out here and putting it together on the court."

"We know what each other are going to do, and we use our talents very well," Thomas said. "We prepared well, we played hard and most importantly, we had some fun."

The team of Dooley, Thomas and Smart played through Saturday's tournament

undefeated.

Services' Eric Ross, who put the tournament together, said such a project takes a lot of coordination and logistical preparation.

"It takes a lot of work," he said. The coordination involves reserving the facility, collecting team registrations and publicizing the event through posters around base, AFN and word of mouth, he said.

Saturday's tournament was the first of the year.

Ross plans on holding one in the fall as well because of the wide participation.



# PLANNER

## Meal time

**Burger King:** 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Sun.-Thu.; 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Fri., Sat.

**Frank's Franks:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Tues.-Sat.

**Oceanview Island Grill:** Lunch 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Mon.-Sun. Specials, with fries or salad & drink: Mon., roasted chicken or meatball sandwich; Tue., 16" 2-topping pizza; Wed., fried shrimp; Thu., 16" 1-topping pizza or taco salad; Fri., lasagna. Pizza specials only come with drinks.

**Subway:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sat.; noon-6 p.m. Sun.

**Top of the Rock Club:** Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; brunch 8:30 a.m.-noon Sat.; dinner 5-9 p.m. Tue.-Sat. Lunch buffets & specials: Mon., Southern buffet, traditional club sandwich, chef salad; Tue., Mexican buffet, rancho burger, chicken fajita salad; Wed., Italian buffet, meatball sub, chicken Caesar salad; family dinner buffet; Thu.,

Oriental buffet, beef stir-fry sandwich, mandarin chicken salad; 2-4-1 steak night; Fri., seafood buffet, fish sandwich, tuna salad; Prime & Wine dinner; Hoof & Fin dinner special.

## Chapel

**Daily Mass:** 11:30 a.m. Tue., Wed., Thu. and Fri.

**Monday**  
Protestant women's spiritual fitness training, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
Charismatic prayer 5 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Men's spiritual fitness training/lunch, noon; Catholic choir practice 5 p.m.; traditional choir practice 6 p.m.; hand bell choir practice 7 p.m.; men's bible study, 7 p.m.

**Thursday**  
Gospel choir practice 7 p.m.

**Sunday**  
Celebration of Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.; Protestant traditional service 9 a.m.; Confessions, Sunday at 9:30 a.m. or by

appointment. Catholic Mass 10:30 a.m.; Gospel service, noon; Protestant teens/youth 6 p.m.

## Base services

**Barber shop:** 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sat.

**Beauty shop:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Sat.

**Child development center:** 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

**Community activities center:** 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Tue.-Sat.; noon-5 p.m. Sun.

**Commissary:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed., Fri., Sat.; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Thu.

**Chace Fitness Center:** 5 a.m.-midnight Mon.-Fri.; 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat., Sun.

**Dry cleaners:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat.

**Flight View BX:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. & Portuguese holidays

**Gas station:** 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sun., Mon. (gas only); 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Sat.

**Library:** 4-9 p.m. Mon.; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Tue.-Thu.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fri.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat., Sun.

**Manicure shop:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Sat.

**New Car Sales:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.

**Ocean Front BX:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun.

**Outdoor recreation:** 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Tue.-Sat.; 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sun.

**PFCU:** 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Thu.; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri.

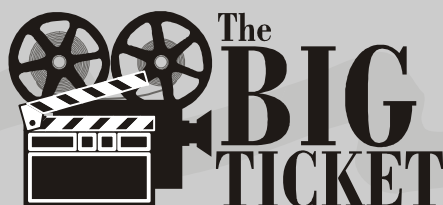
**Shoppette:** 9 a.m.-11 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sun.

**Skills development center:** noon-8 p.m. Tue.-Thu.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fri., Sat.

**Thrift shop:** 12:30-4:30 p.m. Mon. & Wed.; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Fri. & 3rd Sat. of the month.

**Vet clinic:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 1-7 p.m. 1st, 3rd Wed.

**Youth & teen center:** 3-6 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 8 p.m.-midnight Fri., Sat.



**Today: 7 p.m. "Rebound,"** rated PG for mild language, thematic elements.

Robinson Coach Roy once was college basketball's top mastermind. But lately his attentions have been on his next endorsements, not on his next game. What's more, Roy's temper has run amuck, leading to his being banned from college ball until he can demonstrate compliance—in other words, not explode every time he walks onto the court. Roy waits and waits; for a suitable coaching offer, but he receives only one: the Mount Vernon Junior High School Smelters basketball squad.

**Saturday: 7 p.m., "Dark Water,"** rated PG-13 for mature material, frightening sequences, disturbing images, language.

Dahlia is starting a new life; newly separated with a new job and a new apartment, she's determined to put her relationship with her es-

tranged husband behind her and devote herself to raising her daughter. But when the strained separation disintegrates into a bitter custody battle, her situation takes a turn for the worse. Her new apartment - dilapidated, cramped, and worn - seems to take on a life of its own. Mysterious noises, persistent leaks of dark water, and strange happenings cause her imagination to run wild, leaving her to wonder who is behind the endless mind games.

**Sunday: 2 p.m., "Rebound"; 7 p.m. "Dark Water"**

**Wednesday: 7 p.m., "Rebound"**

**Thursday: 7 p.m., "Dark Water"**

**Note:** Movies and times shown are subject to change with little or no notice. For details, call the base theater at 2-4100/295-57-4100.

## AFN Sports

[myafn.net](http://myafn.net)

### Friday

#### AFN-Sports

NFL Yearbook: 2004 Baltimore Ravens, 5 p.m.

MLB: Florida Marlins @ Chicago Cubs, 6:15 p.m.

#### AFN-Atlantic

NASCAR Busch Series: Food City 250 Bristol Motor Speedway, 11:30 p.m.

#### AFN-Pacific

NFL Preseason: Pittsburgh Steelers @ Washington Redskins, midnight

### Saturday

#### AFN-Atlantic

MLB: St. Louis Cardinals @ Washington Nationals, 5 p.m.

MLB: NY Mets @ San Francisco Giants, 8 p.m.

#### AFN-Pacific

Boxing: Oscar Diaz vs. Tom Davis, 5 p.m.

NASCAR Nextel Cup Series: Sharpie 500 Bristol Motor Speedway, 11 p.m.

#### AFN-Sports

NFL Preseason: Tennessee Titans @ San Francisco 49ers - live, 2 a.m.

NFL Preseason: Pittsburgh Steelers @ Washington Redskins, 11 a.m.

NFL Preseason: Indianapolis Colts @ Denver Broncos - live, midnight

### Sunday

#### AFN-Atlantic

NFL Preseason: New England Patriots @ Green Bay Packers, 6 p.m.

#### AFN-Pacific

MLB: Florida Marlins @ Chicago Cubs, 6 p.m.



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## Street bullfights

**Saturday:** 6 p.m., São Bras; 6 p.m. Fonte do Bastrado

**Sunday:** 6 p.m. Fonte do Bastrado

**Monday:** 6 p.m., Vila Nova

**Tuesday:** 6 p.m., Vila Nova; 6:30 p.m. São João de Deus, Angra

**Wednesday:** 6 p.m. Cabo da Praia; 6:30 p.m. Raminho

**Thursday:** 6 p.m. Cabo da Praia; 6 p.m. Raminho

## Other local events

**Arts and crafts fair:** An arts and crafts fair takes place at the marina in Praia from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday.

## Base events

**Women's Equality Day Luncheon:** The Women's Equality Day Committee is hosting a luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Top of the Rock Club. Guest speaker is Col. Denise Lew, 65th Medical Group commander. For details or to purchase tickets, call the Military Equal Opportunity Office at 2-6282/6111.

**Newborn care class** A Newborn Care Class, sponsored by the 65th Medical Group is scheduled for 1-4:30 p.m. Tuesday in Bldg. T-416 conference room. Topics covered will include newborn appearance, daily care including bathing and diapering, feeding, crying, colic, growth and development, safety, illness, immunizations and more. Included in the class is a car seat workshop to teach how to correctly place a car seat in the car. Participants are asked to bring the care seat they intend to use.

For more information or to sign up, call Staff Sgt. Mayer at 2-6731 or 295-576-731. The next class will be Nov. 29.

## Education center

**Tuition Assistance** The last day for issuing tuition assistance for fiscal year 2005 will be close of business Sept. 21. After this date, the issuing of TA will resume Oct. 1. It is important that students coordinate these dates with their respective reg-

istration periods; taking into consideration their TA balances. Tuition assistance issued after Oct. 1 will be out of FY 06 funding when student accounts will be replenished.

**OU classes:** University of Oklahoma will be holding a free Public Service Seminar on Sept. 7. The topic will be on American Culture, and the lecturer will be Professor, Rodger Randle. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Enrollments for Independent Directed Reading and internships for fall term are still open. The last day to enroll is Thursday. The next course being offered for the Fall is HR 5072-220, "Creative Problem Solving," an elective course toward a Master's degree in Human Relations degree. The course dates are Oct. 18-23.

The application deadline for the PhD in Organizational Leadership has been extended until Wednesday. For details, call Jaclyn Kemp at 295-573-171 or 2-3171.

**Central Texas College:** Multiple Microsoft Certification classes are available for both MCSE and MCSA preparation. Call 295-576-722 or 2-6722 for more information or stop by CTC in Bldg. T-400.

**ERAU Registration Deadlines:** Embry-Riddle is holding registration for the next on-site course, SFTY 345, through Sept. 23. For more information, contact Terra Schellig at 295-573-375 or 2-3375. The Embry-Riddle office will be through Sept. 13 for the European Regional Conference.

## Volunteer/jobs

**LYP instructors needed:** The Lajes Youth Program is looking for qualified instructors for karate, dance, tumbling and cheerleading to teach classes for the LYP. For details, call Laura Niswonger at 295-571-197.

**Services vacancies:** The following positions are vacancies or anticipated vacancies within the 65th Services Squadron: lifeguard, recreation aids for the pool, the youth center and the community activity center, a club operations assistant for the Top of the Rock Club, and a child development program assistant and a recreation assistant for the auto hobby shop. To apply for any of these positions, visit the 65th SVS Human Re-

sources Office in Bldg. T-112. For more information, call the HRO staff at 295-572-200 or 2-5200.

**Family Child Care providers:** The family member program here is seeking individuals to become family child care providers in their homes on base. Providers set their own fees and hours. Training and resources are provided. Each provider may care for up to six children including their own with a limit of two children under the age of two. They may also choose to watch a maximum of three children under the age of two instead. For details on becoming a provider, call Kimberly Moore at 295-571-332 or 967-894-095.

**Mildly Ill Care Provider:** Lajes Field is seeing a Mildly Ill care Provider. In the MIC Program, child care is provided in specially contracted Air Force licensed or affiliated family child care homes. These homes feature providers who have received specialized training from medical staff and provide child care services for children ages four weeks through twelve years who have mild illnesses or conditions that prevent them from using their usual group care arrangements. For more information about becoming a mildly ill care provider, call Kimberly Moore at 295-571-332 or 967-894-095.

**Administrative volunteers:** Lajes Elementary School is in need of administrative volunteers. If interested, call 295-573-491 or 2-3491. Volunteer opportunities are available during the summer and the upcoming school year.

**Adults needed:** The Lajes Girl Scouts are looking for adult volunteers. Troop meetings begin in September and all team members must be in place and trained. For details, contact Toni Leonard at 295-549-514 or Box 1050.

**Lunch monitors:** Lajes schools have paid lunch monitor positions open. To apply, visit the elementary school office and pick up an application from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. For more information, call 295-573-491 or 2-3491.

**Crossing guards:** The elementary school needs adult volunteer crossing guards. Help is needed in the morning and afternoon during the times children are arriving and departing each school day. For details, call the school at 295-576-216 or 2-6216.

**Bus monitors:** Lajes is look-

ing for volunteer bus monitors for the upcoming school year. If interested, contact Janet Ross at [janet.ross@lajes.af.mil](mailto:janet.ross@lajes.af.mil) or 295-571-314 or 2-1314.

**Elementary teachers:** There are Elementary teacher positions for certified DoDDS Teachers for local hire. For more information, call Paula Carnley at 2-3491 or e-mail [Paula.Carnley@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:Paula.Carnley@eu.dodea.edu).

**Subs needed:** Lajes high and elementary schools need substitute teachers for the upcoming school year. Pick up applications at either school between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays. For more information, call Paula Carnley at 295-573-491 or 2-3491 or Lori McCoy at 295-574-151 or 2-4151.

**Bank job:** Pentagon Federal Credit Union has a job opening for a branch service representative. Previous banking experience preferred. DEROS must be after March 2007. Apply at Bldg. T-202 or call 295-513-221 for more information.

**Legal office volunteers:** The 65th Air Base Wing Legal Office is looking for volunteers to help answer phone calls and do light administration work. If interested, call 2-3546 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

**Contract services:** The following positions are available. Bid schedules and required information are due by Wednesday. They are: aerobics instructor and sports field maintenance -- for details call Connie Pires at 295-573-159. Computer technician, Catholic religious education coordinator, Catholic choir director, Portuguese language instructor, Auxiliary Priest, Gospel choir director, Evangelical musician, Catholic musician and an Evangelical choir director. For details on the jobs above, call Tech. Sgt. David Roux 295-576-855.

View each individual solicitation for proposal requirements using the following Web site and steps for access: [www.fedbizopps.gov](http://www.fedbizopps.gov). Go to Vendors, DoD, Department of the Air Force (USAF), United States Air Forces in Europe (USAFE), 65 CONS - Lajes Field.

**Administrative assistant:** TolTest, Inc. has an immediate opening for an administrative assistant for a base project. Submit a resume and cover letter to: TolTest, Inc., c/o Human Resources, 1915 N. 12th Street, Toledo, OH 43624 or e-mail: [hr@toltest.com](mailto:hr@toltest.com).





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## School Information

**Lajes Elementary School Open House:** The elementary school will host an open house 1-2:30 p.m. today. Parents may stop by building T-233 and meet their child's teacher and see the classrooms and look at all the summer maintenance work that has taken place to beautify our schools. For details, call 2-3491 or 295-573-491.

### Lajes High School New student orientation:

An orientation for new students and parents is scheduled for 2 to 2:45 p.m. today in the high school gym. The orientation is only for new students and their families.

**Lajes Elementary School Open House:** The high school open house will be Sept. 8 from 4 to 5 p.m. for all parents and students to meet with teachers and administration.

**Back to school carnival:** The Lajes Enlisted Spouses' Club is sponsoring a Back to School carnival 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Lajes Youth Program gymnasium. Cost for ages 4-18 is \$5, with a \$1 discount for 4-6 year olds with donation of baked good for the cake walk. Adults are free. Activities include security forces, fire department, vet, PTO, Girl and Boy Scouts, dental clinic, dunk tank, bouncy castle, raffle, food, games and fun. Anyone who would like to help with our activities can contact Chris Fletcher at 295-549-683.

**School registration:** Parents who haven't registered their children for the upcoming school year can do so now. For elementary school registration, call Cidalia Dias at 295-576-216 or 2-6216 and for middle/high school registration, call Stephen Kless at 295-574-151 or 2-4151.

**First day of school:** Elementary and middle/high school students begin Monday; kindergartners begin Sept. 6; Sure Start begins Sept. 19.

**Drop boxes:** Box top and food labels, which allow the elementary school to get free items, can now be dropped off at either the post office or the elementary school.

**Extra parking:** Extra school parking is available beside the school by the playing field near the youth center. Parents should park at this location and walk to pick up their children to



## SNCO Induction

*Chief Master Sgt. Trevor Henry, 65th Air Base Wing command chief, lights a candle during the Senior NCO Induction ceremony Aug. 19. (Photo by Master Sgt. Michael Featherston)*

prevent a traffic jam.

**Meal program:** Parents interested in the free/reduced price meal program can e-mail [janet.ross@lajes.af.mil](mailto:janet.ross@lajes.af.mil) for an application.

**Bus application:** Parents who live off base and haven't turned in a bus application to Janet Ross for their children to be picked up by the bus can e-mail [janet.ross@lajes.af.mil](mailto:janet.ross@lajes.af.mil) for an application. The deadline to be picked up for the first day of school has passed, but parents can still get their children on the bus in the future by filling out an application. For more information, call 2-1314 or 295-571-314.

## Miscellaneous

**New Thrift Shop Hours:** Beginning Sept. 7, the thrift

shop will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the 3rd Saturday of each month.

**African American Heritage:** The African American Heritage Committee will meet at noon every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at the Sun and Sand Hut. For more information, call Master Sgt. James Keiler at 2-6844 or Staff Sgt. Cheick Bah at 2-3606

**Legal office change:** The legal office will be closing at 3 p.m. every Wednesday for training. The claims briefing time has been changed from 3 p.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call 2-3546.

**Library closure:** The library will be closed until Monday while staff receives training on a new automated system. For more information, call Patti Arnold at 2-3688.

**Share the music contest:** Tops in Blue is conducting a survey to find out about their fans. Anyone who completes the survey will have a chance to win one of many iPod prizes including a 20GB iPod, Shuffles, iPod accessories and iTunes. Log on to [www.topsinblue.com](http://www.topsinblue.com) for a chance to win.

**Heartlink:** Do you want to learn more about what it is like to be a part of the military? If you are a civilian spouse, you can join Heartlink and find out more about the Air Force. Meet new spouses, play games and come to have fun. Enjoy a free "chicken Alcatra" lunch and a cooking demonstration. You could win an Alcatra pot along with other prizes.

Childcare certificates are available. Call the family support center at 2-4138 or 295-574-138 to sign up.

**Furniture at AAFES:** The Army and Air Force Exchange Service sells furniture from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays in the warehouse in Bldg. T-800 (near the 65th Security Forces Squadron and OSI). For more information, call Laura Meyer at 295-573-209 or 2-3209.

## Classifieds

Submit ads via e-mail to [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil). Ads are due by 5 p.m. Friday.

For sale: Play train table with six plastic storage drawers underneath. Sells for \$150 but only asking \$100. Call Michelle at 295-549-771.

Large calico cat free to a good home. Very friendly, fixed, shots up to date and comes with litter box and food bowl. Call Michelle at 295-549-771.

For sale: 2000 Chevy Malibu, silver. PC Sing. Must sell. Will negotiate. \$7,000 O.B.O. Call Monique 295-515-667 or 969-592-189.

Free packing peanuts. For more information contact Andy or Kimberly at 295-549-741

For sale: 20" Hitachi dual voltage TV \$100 Call Scott at 295-549-353 or e-mail: [scott.healey@lajes.af.mil](mailto:scott.healey@lajes.af.mil)

For sale: 1988 Lincoln Town Car \$850 Runs well, has no overdrive. Many new parts included. Inspection good until Sept 2006. Call Keith at 295-542-317 or 2-4151.

Wanted: looking for area rugs in blue or neutral colors. Call 295-516-031 or 2-3347.

Dehumidifiers: Furnishings Management Office has dehumidifiers for military family housing and off-base residents. Call Staff Sgt. Juan Carrillo at 2-1241.

For Sale: Complete Mess Dress for about a 6 foot male. Separating, once used, immaculate condition. Best Offer. For Sale: Two electric, portable room heaters. Work great for taking out the damp winter chill off-base. 220V. \$20 and 30\$ respectively. Call 965-356-789